Change in Policy Plank

629. SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been change in policy plank of Bharat Shiksha Kosh (BSK) so far flow of fund to IITs and other technical institutions;

(b) whether the change has adversely affected the fund flow; and

(c) what is the financial requirements for the technical education under different heads/institutes under Tenth Five Year Plan year-wise and whether Government was able to mobilize the required fund?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHBHAI RAMJIBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) and (b) No Sir.

(c) The Xth Plan outlay for Technical Education Section is Rs. 4700 crores with an annual plan allocation of Rs. 700 crores for 2003-2004. For IITs, the Xth Plan outlay is Rs. 612 crores with an annual outlay of Rs. 140 crores for 2003-04.

Re-Launching of development schemes under new name

630. SHRI RAJU PARMAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are re-launching its development schemes under a new name from time to time;

(b) whether the objective of schemes like Indira Mahila Yojana, Swayamsidha and Integrated Women Empowerment Programme are the same; and

(c) if so, the reasons for re-launching these development schemes with new names?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA): (a) to (c) In 1995, Indira Mahila Yojana was launched in 238 Blocks with the objective of achieving empowerment of women by formation of SHGs, and convergence of all the on-going sectoral programmes. This scheme was expanded with enhanced budget allocation and upscaled by adding training, community assets, into Integrated Women Empowerment Programme/Swayamsidha in 2000-01 to be implemented in 650 blocks

at a total cost of Rs. 116.30 crores (from 2000-01 to 2005-06) with the following objectives:

(i) Establishment of self-reliant women's Self-Help Groups (SHGs);

(ii) Creation of confidence and awareness among members of SHGs regarding women's status health, nutrition, education, sanitation and hygiene, legal rights, economic upliftment and other social economic and political issues;

(iii) Strengthening and institutionalizing the savings habit in rural women and their control over economic resources;

(iv) Improving access of women to micro credit;

(v) Involvement of women in local level planning; and

(vi) Convergence of services of DWCD and other Department.

The Integrated Women Empowerment Programme/Swayamsidha has more covereage, higher financial norms per Block and has additional components of training, creation of community assets, convergence as compared with IMY.

Promotion of Indian languages

631. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the amounts earmarked and spent for promotion of each Indian language during the last three years and the current year; and

(b) how much actual promotion of each such lauguage took place during the above period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHBHAI RAMJIBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) and (b) The promotion of Indian languages is done by the various organizations setup/financed by the Government of India, through the teaching, training, research, publication of dictionaries/grammars/ Joumals/Magazines/Books, production of other teaching material (including the audio visual material) and awards to eminent writers for original writing and for translation work.

A statement showing the details of funds earmarked by the Ministry to the Organizations set up for development of Indian languages and expenditure incurred by them on the promotion of languages is enclosed.